



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of

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For: Method Of Pre-treating Lignocellulose Fiber-Containing
Material For The Pulp Making Process

Examiner: M. Alvo

Group Art Unit: 1731

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Commissioner For Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Notice of Non-Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.192 (in triplicate) for the above-identified application.

- () A small entity statement was previously submitted in this application.
() A small entity statement is enclosed.
(X) A filing fee for extra claims does not appear required.
() A filing fee for extra claims is calculated below:

No. of Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims	Fee For Small Entity		Fee For Other Than Small Entity	
			Rate	Fee	Rate	Fee
Total			x \$ 9 = \$		x \$ 18 = \$	
Indep.			x \$ 39 = \$		x \$ 78 = \$	
() First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims			+ \$ 130 = \$		+ \$ 260 = \$	
			TOTAL = \$		TOTAL = \$	

- (X) It is hereby petitioned that any required extension of time be granted for filing the amendment. An extension of -0- month(s) having a fee of \$ -0- appears required.

The Commissioner is hereby requested and authorized to charge Deposit Account 16-2563 of Alix, Yale & Ristas, LLP for any fee, not enclosed herewith, due for any reason in connection with the amendment or this or any other document accompanying the amendment, including (a) any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims and (b) any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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